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Attorney Docket No. 3177 P 387

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: phen Alan Smith et al.

Application No.:

10/676,807

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Stephen J. Castellano

For:

ERGONOMIC DISPOSABLE CUP HAVING

IMPROVED STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified Application. No additional fee for the Amendment is required, as shown below.

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Total	33 -	43 =	0	x \$25=	\$	x \$50=	\$-0-
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE							\$-0-

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

X Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra Claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 10, 2006

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Reply to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2006. The original period of response to the Office Action is a shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date. Accordingly, the time period for response is July 10, 2006, and this Reply is submitted within that time limit. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in the present Application in view of the Amendments and Remarks below.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.